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| Sebastian BAUER et al. | : | Confirmation No.: 3610 |
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| For: TELESCOPABLE BORING ROD | : | Atty Docket: P69468US0 |
| MECHANISM | : | |
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 23, 2006 (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 20060118), Applicant submits the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a); and any fees required for consideration of this paper and any papers associated with it (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.